

	OPERATING PROCEDURE	
	<i>ESOPHAGEAL OBTURATOR AIRWAY (EOA)</i>	
	Effective Date: October 1, 1986	Revised: October 1, 2000
	Approved By: 	
Approved By Operational Medical Director: 		

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With the approval of the Operational Medical Director to Fire and Rescue Services, any certified Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) who has received specialized instruction in the use of the esophageal airway may initiate treatment with this device when indicated.

Specialized instruction will mean a class given by an authorized instructor and will include practical application on an intubation manikin. Recertification will be required in conjunction with EMT recertification.

Instruction classes may be set up independently between students and instructors, but these classes must have prior approval from the administrative offices.

***UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL PERSONS OTHER THAN THOSE
CERTIFIED PERFORM THIS PROCEDURE.***